

I would also like to thank Senator GORTON, as chairman of the Interior subcommittee, who also was very helpful.

Again, all of our colleagues have really pitched in and recognized an emergency situation.

I yield the floor.

Mr. HATFIELD addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I want to affirm the statement made by the Senators from North Dakota regarding the fact this has been worked out to the satisfaction of both sides of the aisle and the subcommittee and the full committee. Again, I reiterate, a similar action was taken on behalf of the people of Washington, Idaho and Oregon, who faced correlated and similar problems during recent floods as well, so it is not establishing any unique precedent. It is well established.

I commend the Senators from North Dakota for being so quick to recognize the needs of their people and to respond to those needs. It was a pleasure to work with them, to be helpful in this particular instance, as in previous instances—railroads, whatever it is. The Senators from North Dakota have always been very cooperative.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there be no further debate, the question is on agreeing to the two amendments en bloc.

The amendments (Nos. 3468 and 3469) were agreed to en bloc.

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. CONRAD. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair will make three appointments on behalf of the Vice President.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C., 6968 9(a), appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: The Senator from Oregon [Mr. HATFIELD] from the Committee on Appropriations; the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] from the Committee on Appropriations; the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] from the Committee on Armed Services; and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. SARBANES] at large.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(A), appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] from the Committee on Appropriations; the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] from the Committee on Appropriations; the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] from the Committee on Armed Services; and the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] at large.

The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: The Senator from Montana [Mr. BURNS] from the Committee on Appropriations; the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. HOLLINGS] from the Committee on Appropriations; the Senator from Idaho [Mr. KEMPTHORNE] from the Committee on Armed Services; and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. EXON] at large.

Mr. HATFIELD addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon.

BALANCED BUDGET DOWN-PAYMENT ACT, II

The Senate continued with the consideration of the bill.

AMENDMENTS NOS. 3470 AND 3471 TO AMENDMENT NO. 3466

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I offer two amendments that have been cleared on both sides, technical in character. I will explain.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the Daschle amendment will be laid aside. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Oregon [Mr. HATFIELD], for Mr. DOLE, for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. HOLLINGS, proposes an amendment numbered 3470 to amendment No. 3466.

The Senator from Oregon [Mr. HATFIELD], for Mr. HOLLINGS, for himself and Mr. INOUE, proposes an amendment numbered 3471 to amendment No. 3466.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that further reading of the amendments be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendments are as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 3470

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

Sec. 117. The definition of "educational expenses" in Section 200103 of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Public Law 103-322 is amended to read as follows:

"educational expenses" means expenses that are directly attributable to—

(A) a course of education leading to the award of the baccalaureate degree; or

(B) a course of graduate study following award of a baccalaureate degree,

including the cost of tuition, fees, books, supplies, transportation, room and board and miscellaneous expenses.

AMENDMENT NO. 3471

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

"SEC. 411. Section 235 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991 (Public Law 101-246) is amended by inserting "Tinian," after "Sao Tome,".

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, let me say, first of all, they have no monetary impact. There is no budgetary problem on this matter. It is to clarify, in two instances—let me take them separately. One is on behalf of Senator

DOLE, Senator HATCH, Senator GREGG, and Senator HOLLINGS.

This amendment broadens the definition of "educational expenses" covered under the Police Corps Program in the section of the bill dealing with the Commerce appropriations bill.

The second one is a Hollings-Inouye amendment to grant USIA multiyear contract authority for the Tinian Relay Station.

Again, I emphasize, they have been cleared on both sides. They have no budgetary impact. They are technical in character.

I urge the adoption, en bloc, of these amendments.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendments en bloc.

The amendments (Nos. 3470 and 3471) were agreed to.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. HATFIELD. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. STEVENS). The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

WHITEWATER DEVELOPMENT CORP. AND RELATED MATTERS—MOTION TO PROCEED

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I now move to proceed to Senate Resolution 227, the Whitewater legislation, and I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to S. Res. 227 regarding the Whitewater extension:

Alfonse D'Amato, Trent Lott, C.S. Bond, Fred Thompson, Slade Gorton, Don Nickles, Paul Coverdell, Spencer Abraham, Chuck Grassley, Conrad Burns, Rod Grams, Richard G. Lugar, Mike DeWine, Mark Hatfield, Orrin G. Hatch, and Thad Cochran.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the vote occur on Wednesday, March 13, the time to be determined by the two leaders, and that the mandatory quorum under rule XXII be waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LOTT. I now withdraw the motion.